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To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding: Dockets 98N-1230,

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- Putting Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulating egg refrigeration temperatures is not enough. The FDA must do more.
- The practice of forced molting should be prohibited by the FDA. This practice has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hen's immune systems.
- The farm practice of forced molting injures human health. The FDA has the power to ban forced molting.
- The primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs, and consumers of eggs is forced molting. The FDA must ban the forced molting of laying hens.
- It is inexcusable that this practice was ever allowed in the first place. Deliberate endangerment of humans and cruelty to chickens are not in the best interest of our nation.
- The FDA should grant the petition to ban forced molting without further delay.

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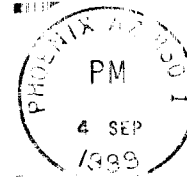
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